

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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SENATE BILL 639

Short Title: Bd. of Agriculture Modifications. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Jackson (Primary Sponsor); Barefoot, Brock, Jenkins, McLaurin,  
Rabin, and Walters.

Referred to: Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources.

April 4, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE OVER  
PLANTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Article 36 of Chapter 106 of the General Statutes is amended by  
adding a new section to read:

**"§ 106-421.1. Authority of Board of Agriculture to regulate plants.**

The Board of Agriculture shall have the sole authority to prohibit the planting, cultivation,  
harvesting, disposal, handling, or movement of plants as defined in G.S. 106-202.12. This  
section shall not prevent the designation of plants as noxious aquatic weeds pursuant to Article  
15 of Chapter 113A of the General Statutes, nor shall it prevent the adoption or enforcement of  
city or county ordinances regulating the appearance of property or the handling and collection  
of solid waste."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

